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A SPECIAL MEETING was held by the Winters City Council last Thursday, in order to review the tax rates for the next fiscal year. (Photo: Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez)

## City Council maintains tax rate

Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez  
 Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- After a series of budget cuts involving all departments of the city operation, the Winters City Council agreed last week to maintain the tax rate of .688669 per 100 dollars, despite the adjusted tax base loss of over 5 million dollars.

The special meeting was held on Thursday, August 12, at the city council chambers, in order to adopt a tax calendar for the new fiscal year, evaluate and approve the new tax rate. Cuts of about \$70,600 were approved.

The city council started with the budget evaluation, a severance package for one of the Police Department officers that had prior approval. The Police Department has a

plan to redistribute workloads in order to allow for more cost-effectiveness.

The amount destined for extra hours at the Police Department was reduced from \$16,000 to \$10,000, which represents an extra 25 percent savings including the benefits. The Police Department will have no more bonus, and the Fire Marshal duties will be taken by Paula Geyer, a Police

Department officer, once she completes the training course required by the state.

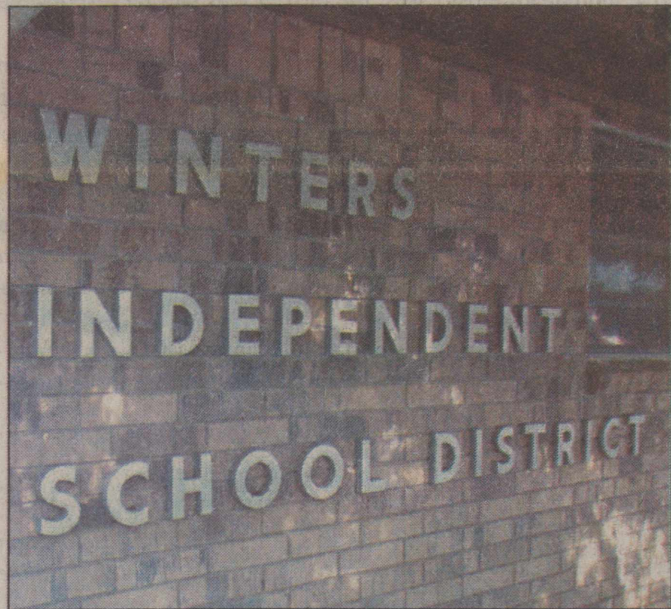
Animal control services will be greatly reduced, working emergency cases and euthanizing animals as needed.

Officials evaluated options for the health insurance of the city employees, no action was taken on the subject, but hope is that bids received will allow for a reduction of

cost. Budget cuts for the 2010-2011 year also include a vehicle for the city manager. This vehicle was assigned to former manager Aref Hassan but it is not expected to be a part of the future benefit package.

The expense reduction includes payments for uniforms and computer services. These amounts were reduced approximately \$15,000. Other budget reductions

include the Street Department, the Water Department and Cleaning Services offered by the City of Winters. At this special meeting city representatives also agreed to revise an ordinance related to the city manager residence requirement, which states that the person hired should have lived within the Winters city limits for at least 30 days prior to his hiring.



FOR THIRD YEAR in a row the Winters ISD scored a perfect rating in the FIRST system.

## WISD streaks perfect in the FIRST rating

Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez  
 Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- For third year in a row, the Winters Independent School District received a perfect score in the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas.

The accountability rating was Superior Achievement, with a perfect score of 80. Winters became the only independent school district regionally to get this achievement for three years in a row. The rating, made public by the Texas Education Agency last week, includes indicators such as the total fund balance, general fund, capital appreciation bonds and percentage in the change in students for the last five years.

The accountability rating considers the 2008-2009 district status financial detail, and includes not only finan-

cial information but also academic performance and accountability ratings given by the TEA. David Hutton, Superintendent at the Winters ISD, recognized the labor of all the administrative staff to achieve this rating.

"We have a wonderful staff that has allowed us to achieve this recognition for three years in a row, I have to acknowledge the work of Glenda McKneely, our District's Business Manager, who has kept all the records and made this possible," said Hutton.

Winters achieved the top of five accountability ratings in a scale that starts with Superior Achievement.

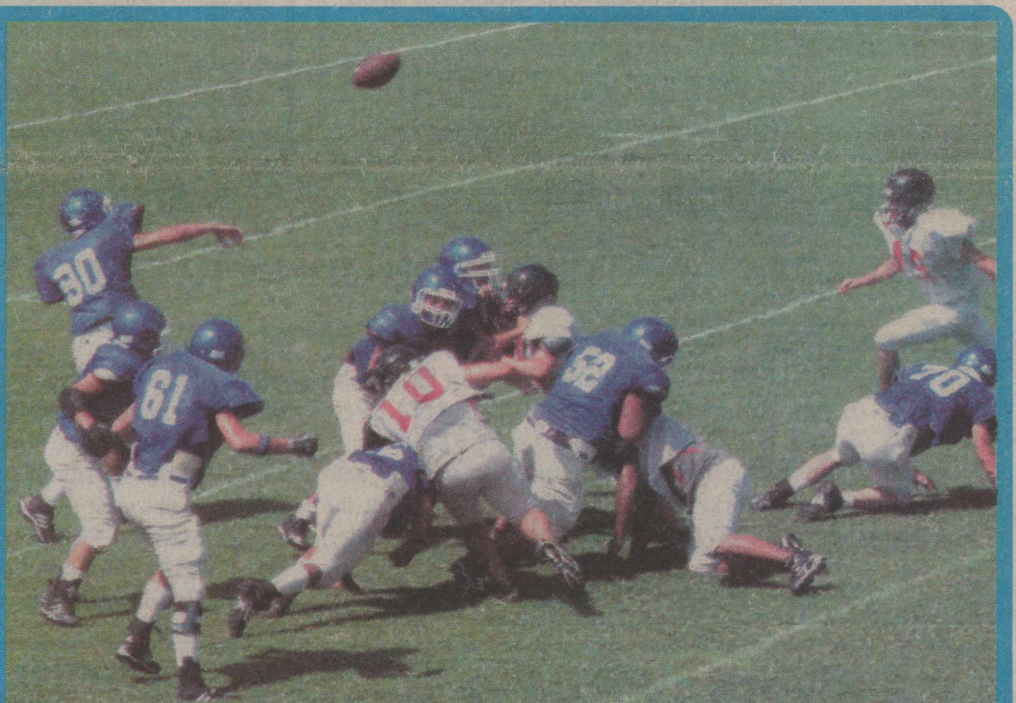
The purpose of the FIRST rating system is to ensure that school districts will be held accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and achieve improved performance.

Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez  
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WINTERS, Texas.- Despite the intense heat, The Winters Blizzards managed to control the field, in their first scrimmage of the 2010 season against Roby.

The junior varsity opened the program with one score per team on the field.

The varsity Blizzards tied with Roby 0-0 but their game showed promise with several successful plays executed on the field. Blizzards quarterback Riley Ripley made a good showing with some nice passes, even though he had two interceptions. The defensive tightened and blocked every attempt of the opposing team as they struggled to make it across the goal line. The rival team had several turnovers including two interceptions and the



## Blizzards, cold as ice

same number of fumbles. Winters will have their second test of the pre-season this Thursday, when they pay a visit to the Eagles nest, at Junction, for the second scrimmage of the 2010 season.



## Revival of faith in Winters

Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez  
 Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- In the middle of troubled economic times with many businesses experiencing a downturn it seems some volunteers with good hearts have come to continue the remodeling project for the First Assembly of God.

The local church has ongoing construction of their facilities. It is the hope of the members that this "facelift" to



GARY GUNSOLUS, Beverly DeMoss and Margie Walker, Pastor John DeMoss and former Pastor Connan D. Walker.

their facilities will allow them to share their ministry with more people.

In March a group of volunteers started to rebuild the parsonage, an old abandoned house. These volunteers lived in RV's while they worked on the remodeling project. "A new group will be coming to Winters in October," said Gary Gunsolus, South Central Regional Missionary Coordinator for the Assemblies of God US Mission America Placement Service.

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Hortense Joyce

1921-2010

Hortense "Horte" Joyce, 89, passed away August 10, 2010 in College Station, Texas. She was born January 7, 1921 in Elkhart, Texas. She moved to Winters from Coleman in 1964 with her husband Jake to work at Winters High School. She taught home economics until her retirement in 1982. Future Homemakers of America twice published a cookbook honoring her. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and the Women's Club in Winters. Funeral services were held on Friday, August 13, 2010 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Georgia Orr officiating. She was laid to rest next to her beloved husband Jake Joyce at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, Texas.

Survivors are her son Gene Joyce and wife Kathy of College Station; daughter Ann Joyce and partner Mary Edwards of Seattle, Washington; brother Ossie Paxton and wife Mary of Plano; sister Annette Lacy of Plano; sister-in-law Glynn Lane of Fort Worth; several nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

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John E. Green, Jr. M.D.

1922-2010

John E. Green, Jr., M.D., 88, died Sunday, August 15, 2010. He was born July 18, 1922, in Kosse, Texas, to John E. Green, Sr. and Beatrice Prather Green and lived an exemplary life of service to family, church, community, and country.

A celebration of his life was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 17 at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger with Rev. Buddy Moore and Rev. Joe Chamness officiating.

Dr. Green graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown in 1939 and from Texas A & M in 1943. He then graduated from the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston in 1948 and did a surgical internship at Pearce County Hospital in Tacoma, Washington. He served honorably in the United States Air Force from 1950-1952 and completed tours of duty in Tokyo, Japan and on the island of Guam.

He met the love of his life, Mary Anne Allen, in Galveston.

Dr. Green practiced medicine for over 50 years, 38 of those years in Ballinger beginning his practice in Ballinger originally in an office over the old Pearce-Bailey drugstore.

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Frankie Jean Sheard

1937-2010

Frankie Jean Sheard, 72, of Ballinger passed away Monday, August 16, 2010 at her residence.

She was born October 28, 1937 in Sweetwater to John Henry and Josephine (McDonald) Olsteen. She worked for several years as a clerk. She and Raymond Sheard were married April 10, 1981 in Houston. Frankie loved Jesus and played an important part in the salvation of her siblings. She sang and played the guitar and even composed songs. One of her favorites was a song she wrote about a veteran. She was a member of the Church of God.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson. Frankie is survived by her husband, Raymond of Ballinger; her children, Kenneth Lee Zollars of Austin, Robert Joseph Zollars of Houston, and Melinda Kay Zollars of Indiana; a sister, Patsy Jo Calver of Sweetwater; and one grandchild.

Funeral services were Wednesday, August 18 at 10:00 a.m. at Lange Funeral Home Chapel in Ballinger. A graveside service and burial were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

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Senaida Mares

1958-2010

Funeral services for Senaida Mares, age 52 of Ballinger, Texas, formerly of Plains, Texas were on Saturday, August 14, at Templo Bautista Nueva Vision in Plains, Texas. Burial followed in Yoakum County Cemetery in Plains.

Mrs. Mares passed away Thursday, August 12, 2010 at her residence in Ballinger. She was born February 3, 1958 in Tina, Texas to Alfonza (Delarosa) and Ismael Garcia.

She is survived by her husband Pablo Mares of Ballinger, Texas; one son Mario and wife, Andrea of Ballinger, Texas; one daughter Eloise Mares of Ballinger, Texas; Mother Alfonza Garcia of Edcouch, Texas, nine brothers Ismael Garcia of Idaho, Texas; Geno Garcia of Winters, Texas; Willie Garcia of Edinburg, Texas; Calistro Flores of McAllen, Texas; Jesse Flores of Plains, Texas; Reme Flores of Odessa, Texas; Cody Flores of Plains, Texas; Pete Flores of Plains, Texas; Joey Flores of Midland, Texas and five sisters Celia Garcia of Edinburg, Texas; America Garcia of Edcouch, Texas; Diana Garcia of Las Flores, Texas; Tomasita Chapa of Melissa, Texas; Lupe Vasquez of Plains, Texas and Solia Gonzales of Denver City, Texas.

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Police

report

BY NATHAN T. JOHNSON WINTERS POLICE CHIEF

FORCE REDUCTION WILL IMPACT ANIMAL CONTROL

As you may know, the City of Winters lost an estimated \$5.5 million dollars in taxable value this past year. Those changes in our local economy have forced the City Council to make difficult decisions regarding the budget for the city, including the Police Department. In response to the realities of a deteriorating economy, the council is taking important steps to realign the budget with projected tax income.

Some cities, such as Marfa and Eden, have reduced or eliminated their local Police Departments in response to the economic situation. Due to these factors, our agency will be streamlining our work force and the services provided to the community. Effective immediately, WPD no longer has a full-time animal control officer. For the remainder of this month (August 2010) Billy Hollis (805) will be taking minor calls for animal control and taking care of the shelter on a part-time basis. On-duty police officers will respond to animal complaint calls that fall into one of the following categories:

- 1. An immediate danger to persons or property.
2. A definable and immediate disturbance of the peace
3. A disruption of government services (School District, fire or EMS unit response, etc...)
4. A disruption of a house of worship (church services etc...)
5. A disruption in a funeral service or burial service
6. An animal believed to be rabid or an immediate health and safety issue
7. An animal who has been injured and there is a need for it to be immediately euthanized

The Police Department will no longer be routinely placing and maintaining traps around the city to capture feral or wild animals. The department will no longer provide a patrol specifically for loose animals within the city limits. Citizens who have a need for a trap may obtain one from a local source such as Milton's Hardware or other area retailers. Should an elderly citizen be unable to procure and deploy such a device, I will make a decision on a case-by-case basis regarding the deployment of city owned traps, or the maintenance of a privately owned trap. Officers may be dispatched to euthanize an animal (including animals trapped in civilian owned traps) if the civilian does not have another functional means of humanely euthanizing the animal. In most cases, the citizen will still be responsible for the disposal of the carcass.

Citizens who need to dispose of dead animals may do so by contacting Jack Davis Sr. at 754-4646 to drop off at the designated animal dumpster located at the city Convenience Center. Because we must still address the issue of rabies within our city, on-duty police officers will assist citizens within the city limits where stray, feral, or wild animal have been spotted who are believed to be injured or have a communicable disease (such as rabies).

Should anyone wish to volunteer to assist with the animal control issues and the animal shelter, I would be grateful for the help.

Semper Fi, Nathan T. Johnson Chief of Police

Workers' compensation seminar in San Angelo

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

AUSTIN, Texas.- The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (TDI-DWC) will sponsor an educational seminar for employers enti-

tled Basic Workers' Compensation for Employers on Tuesday, August 24, 2010, in San Angelo. The seminar will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the West Texas Training Center, 3501 North U.S. Highway 67 in San Angelo, Texas, regis-

tration begins at 8:30 a.m. The educational seminar will provide a comprehensive overview of the Texas workers' compensation system and discussion of the Return-to-Work program. TDI-DWC will provide six general insurance continuing

education credits. Attendees must provide their license number at the seminar to receive credits. Due to limited space; registration is required. To register participants may contact Janice Pousson at 512-804-5000 or janice.pousson@tdi.state.tx.us.

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Chatting with Paw Paw By John DeMoss Jr. Dad and his siblings were raised out in the country, in northern Archer County. My mom would tell us stories of Pop and his brothers having to get up long before daylight in order to milk the cows and bring in the eggs. All before they could go to school. My mother would laugh as she told of how she would get tired of waiting for John to come get her on Saturday nights. John, my dad, would still be on the tractor at 9:00 P.M. Among the four DeMoss children was my late uncle Billy, the youngest. Billy died back in December of 1996. He left three children and a wife. Billy's oldest was his son Brad, the fourth of the eight DeMoss grandchildren. At one time Billy owned a one-horned white female Bramer (Brahma) that was meaner than a junk yard dog. And when she had a calf, Snowball got meaner. One afternoon my cousin Dave found out how bad Snowball was. Behind my grandparents' house was a gate that separated two pastures. My grandfather (PawPaw) told Dave to go shut the gate. So, Dave went through the backyard and down to the aluminum gate. He did not see Snowball, but she saw him! As Dave reached the gate, so did Snowball. For 5-10 minutes that demon-possessed Bramer chased Dave from one side of that gate to the other! One morning, my dad took us boys down to the barn to do something. Dad, Dave, Brad and I went into the corral, but my brother stayed on the other side of the fence. As we walked through the corral, we looked up and there was Snowball! With a calf! That crazy cow charged us. Dave climbed up on a gate with Brad on his shoulders. I was so afraid that I froze in place. My dad jumped out in front of Snowball as she charged me. Distracted, she stopped suddenly. Flying dirt clods hit me. When those clods hit me, I woke up, turned, and dove through a small hole that was in the fence near where my brother was standing. I was safe thanks to the quick thinking of my dad. Dave could not get down from the gate because he still had Brad on his shoulders. What a gloriously funny, scary situation. When Israel was under attack, her leaders were told that their God would fight for them. Many times, God stood up to defend Israel. My dad showed me, by his action as a father, that God would fight for us. I wish my dad and I had been saved at the time. Today, some 50+ years later, I can look back and see how my God stood up to fight for me, through my dad.

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'Fish-Camp' time at A&M Winters Enterprise Staff Report core values: integrity, excellence, leadership, loyalty, respect and selfless service. They will also learn about campus organizations. One reason being chosen as a namesake is such an honor is that it is not something a professor or staff member can decide. Rather, it is an honor bestowed by the students themselves. The first Fish Camp for the Class of 2014 began on August 3, and the last camp will conclude August 24. For a complete list of namesakes, go to http://fish-camp.tamu.edu/namesakes. For more information about Fish Camp, go to http://fish-camp.tamu.edu/.

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# Josh Abbott is coming to Abilene

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WINTERS, Texas.- Texas Country Sensation Josh Abbott Band is coming thru Abilene on Saturday, September 18 to play the Western Heritage Fair.

The band's sophomore album She's Like Texas soared to the number three spot the iTunes Country Music Albums Chart trailing only Country Music superstars Lady Antebellum and Taylor Swift. JAB's fastest rising single to date, "She's Like Texas" landed at No. 1 on the Texas Music Chart and the Texas Regional Radio Report. The song was a lead off to their recent Top 10 smash "All Of A Sudden." JAB's current single, "Road Trippin," is burning up radio now and will be supported by a one-of-a-kind partnership with Boone's Farm Wine and CMT (Country Music Television).

Josh Abbott Band will be bringing their signature raw, gritty country rock sound to



**JOSH ABBOTT BAND** will be in Abilene on September 18 to play the Western Heritage Fair. (Photo: Contributed)

Abilene.

In the blink of an eye, Josh Abbott Band has gone from an unknown artist to one of the fastest rising young stars in Texas country. She's Like Texas is an emotional album that sets up the do-it-yourself Josh Abbott Band as the next authentic breakout hailing from the state of Texas. Playing over 250 shows each year, JAB has been performing to packed houses all across Texas and Oklahoma including Texas hot spots such as Wild West in Lubbock, Cowboys in San Antonio and Billy Bob's in Fort Worth. The passion and high-energy characteristic of

Josh Abbott Band's performances come through both on stage and in the studio. It's no wonder why the Josh Abbott Band has quickly become a Texas institution—and why its talents can't be confined for long to the Lone Star State.

The Josh Abbott Band continues to garner success with their current single, "Road Trippin" which sits at number 25 on the Texas Music Chart. The debut single and title track off the album, "She's Like Texas," hit the coveted number one spot on both the Texas Music Chart and Texas Regional Radio Report.

increase in this economy is way beyond ridiculous. Out in the Real World, people are dealing with a lot worse than you are. We do every day. Other towns, cities, counties have cut back. (Dallas is not only having to cut back on salaries and hours, they are having to turn off the street lights, and Dallas is much wealthier per capita than Winters.) It's time for Runnels County to "get real". No salary increases. NO TAX INCREASES.

At the School Board meeting on Monday, August 9, we were told that the participation in Varsity sports is down because the parents cannot afford the extra expense to have the students involved. Besides, some of the kids are having to work if they can possibly find employment to help support the families. While the City and County can't fix this, they can at least try to keep it from getting worse by adopting a budget to decrease taxes. To all the citizens who are feeling the pinch already and trying to get by on less, when our tax bills are going up, please take an active part in letting our elected officials know how you feel. If the only people they hear from are asking for higher taxes, they won't know there is anyone opposed to raising taxes. Let your voices be heard. To all taxing entities, I have a small inkling of how difficult your task is, and I don't in any way envy your position. Many of the people in this group are not compensated for the time and energy spent on decisions that impact all our lives. We truly thank you for all you do. I urge you to think about the plight of the tax payers, and please come up with budgets that reflect reduced individual tax bills over last year. I don't mean a reduced tax rate while property values have gone up, I mean reduced tax bills.

With the utmost respect,  
Jean Lafair,  
Winters, Texas

# Farm Bureau to have a membership drive

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

WINTERS, Texas.- The Runnels County Farm Bureau will be having a membership drive the week of August 23-28. Any one who is not a member of the Runnels County Farm Bureau can take advantage of this opportunity and become a member of the largest agriculture organization in the United States of America.

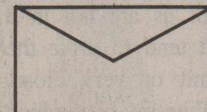
Becoming a member indicates that you are concerned about the production of the safest, most inexpensive, and best quality food and fiber produced in the world.

Production agricultural is also in the early stages of research and development of cleaner and more efficient energy sources in order to reduce the dependence on fossil fuels.

As a member of the county farm bureau your dues also make you a member of the Texas Farm Bureau which is over 400,000 member families strong in 207 Texas counties. The Texas Farm Bureau is affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation, which has over 6 million member families in all 50 states. Texas Farm Bureau's purpose is to be the Voice of Texas Agriculture. The vision of

Texas Farm Bureau is to benefit all Texans through promotion of a prosperous agricultural industry, protecting private property rights, preserving the land and environment, and enhancing food safety and supply. The membership work together from the county level to the state and national level to accomplish these goals. Policies are proposed at the county and are use by the legislative staff of Texas Farm Bureau in Austin and Washington D.C. The Farm Bureau is working on numerous items through the legislative process. Some of the high priority issues are: obtain high net income for farmers and ranchers, ensure the right to own and control private property, develop, expand and protect foreign markets, reduce ad valorem tax burden, protect water rights, and reduce burdensome regulations on agriculture. There are many programs for members to be apart of. There is a Young Farmer and Rancher Program to develop young leadership, AgLead to educate young leaders, FarmLead to educate existing leaders, youth leadership programs and scholarships, rural fireman training programs, 23 commodity divisions to help pro-

ducers make policies and educate them. Being a member entitles you to many organizational benefits and services. Some of these are as follows: Vehicle discount, Rental car discounts, Hotel room discounts, Banking services, Prescription drug discounts, all types of Insurance services. If you are not a member of the Farm Bureau, the Runnels County Farm Bureau invite you to join the join other county members for a hamburger lunch at the Miles Co-Op Gin, one mile west of Miles at 11:30 a.m., August 24 or at the Runnels County Farm Bureau Office in Ballinger at 11:30 a.m. August 25 or at the D L C Realty one mile south of Winters on Highway 83 at 11:30 a.m., August 26. Come join us and learn more about becoming a member for more information call the County office at 325-365-2562. If you would like more information on Texas Farm Bureau go to www.txfb.org or contact Dale Duggan, President Runnels County Farm Bureau at dduggan@txfb.net.



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## Letter to the Editor

### No tax raises and no salary increases

Public employees of Winters and Runnels County, there is a concept that you are obviously not familiar with. It's called "cutting back", "living within your means". We all know all about it. All over the country, people have been doing it for a few years now. It means getting by with less to make your money go farther. You are the lucky few in this county who are still employed. Lots of people would love to have your job and your income. But you keep wanting more from tax payers who just don't have it. There is a saying, "you can't get blood from a turnip". Whether you deserve it is not the point, so I won't address that here. The people who have lost their incomes and had their incomes reduced did not deserve to have that happen to them either. I know you are dedicated and do the best you can. That is not the issue either. The people who pay your salaries can not afford to pay you more. We're all having to tighten our belts literally and figuratively. That's another concept you need to understand. It means essentially the same thing as cutting back. Our taxes have gone up, as well as our insurance (home, health care, liability, car, etc), groceries, fuels (gasoline, butane, diesel) medical costs, utilities. Our incomes have gone down. Many people have lost their incomes but not their tax bills. We have no extras. We are all barely getting by on less. Instead of raises for County and City employees, I propose the following: Cut business hours. I have learned that it's practically pointless to conduct business

with anyone at City Hall or the County on Friday. Someone is off on a "vacation day" and of the people left in the office, most are too busy planning their weekend on taxpayer time. Maybe one employee will be working, but that one employee is so stressed, you feel guilty for bothering them. So the business hours should be changed. Let the employees have their three-day weekend, and keep the offices open later (until 6 or 7pm) one or two nights during the week. Stagger the hours so no one has to work extra hours to accomplish this. In fact in an office staffed by more than one employee, the hours can be staggered and shortened. This will cut down some of the waste the tax payers are paying for. The salaries should not be increased to make up for the income lost by this cut in hours. Salaries should be reduced to reflect the cut in hours. Most janitor positions can be eliminated, and the people in the offices can clean up after themselves. We are at the point that employees may have to foot the entire bill for their health insurance, dental and optical. If things are going to be worse next year, and this is another reality we have to face, we should be planning to eliminate a lot of City and County vehicles, and use personal vehicles, especially for higher-paid employees and officials. Even construction equipment and law enforcement vehicles may be hard to afford. Elected County officials knew the salary they would receive before they ran for office. If you were not happy with that, you should not have campaigned for the position. It's not that you don't deserve it, we can't afford to pay you more. Expecting a pay

## Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

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### August 23-27 Subject to change

#### Monday

Vegetable Soup, Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Mixed Fruit, Cookies.

#### Tuesday

Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Chocolate Cake.

#### Wednesday

Liver or Steak, Parsley Potatoes, Greens, Cornbread, Banana Pudding.

#### Thursday

Chicken & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Roll, Jam Crunch Bar.

#### Friday

Mexican Cornbread, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Crackers, Dessert

Meals are served 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly is asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 1 a.m.

### Disciple Now 2010

## First Baptist Church

### August 20-22

**Friday August 20th:**  
5:00 p.m. Pizza Party - Jones Hall  
6:00 p.m. Friday Nite Special  
7:30 p.m. Praise & Worship followed by Message from Daryl Jones  
8:30 p.m. Break-Out Session  
9:00 p.m. Dessert as Break-Out Session Finish  
10:00 p.m. Go Back to Your Home

**Saturday August 21st:**  
8:00 a.m. Breakfast - Jones Hall  
9:30 a.m. Prayer Walk at School  
11:00 a.m. Small service project at Church  
12:00 noon Lunch - Jones Hall  
1:00 p.m. Praise & Worship followed by Message from Daryl Jones  
2:00 p.m. Break-Out Session  
2:45 p.m. Service Project/Recreation Time  
3:00 p.m. Service project/Rec time/ Get ready for dinner  
6:00 p.m. BBQ Meal at Jones Hall (Parents, Youth Ministers & Church Family Invited)  
7:00 p.m. Praise & Worship followed by Message from Daryl Jones  
8:00 p.m. Break-Out Session  
9:00 p.m. Saturday Nite Special  
10:00 p.m. Transport to Host Homes/snacks

**Sunday August 22nd:**  
9:00 a.m. Transport to Church for Breakfast at Jones Hall  
9:30 a.m. Re-cap the Weekend  
10:45 a.m. Church Service - Come Meet our New Pastor Heath Powers  
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## Meal program available in Miles

Winters Enterprise  
Staff Report

**M**ILES, Texas.- Miles I.S.D. students that want to qualify for the free or reduced meal program for the upcoming school year must have a new application on file.

Students from households that are at or below certain income levels are eligible for the program. Application forms will be sent home with

every child in their First Day Folders. Applicants will receive a written notice from the school after completed application is returned to the school to inform them of their eligibility. You may submit an application at any time during the school year. Applications will be available at any of the administration offices.

Children may buy lunch for \$1.50 (PK-6), \$1.80 (7-12) and breakfast for \$1.20. Children who qualify for the

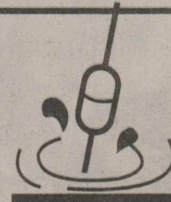
reduced price meal program may buy lunch for \$0.40 and breakfast for \$0.30.

You may pre-pay for meals before school in the cafeteria also elementary students may pre-pay in their classroom or you may pre-pay on-line at [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com). To set up an account in Nutrikids or if have question concerning the program you may call the school at 468-2861.

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## Fishing report

BY DAVE CAUDLE

**T**he fishing at Ivie and surrounding lakes continues to be a hit and miss quest. It seems that early in the morning the top water action is most reliable, but as the sun comes up the fish tend to go into the shade like most of us should. Some of the good crappie fishermen (those who can fish the heavy brush) are taking fair numbers. These fish can be found along either river channel in trees at least 20 feet deep. The bait of choice is a weed guarded jig of white or bright colors.

Blue catfish are also being hooked on jug lines normally baited with fresh cut carp and fished in water about 25 feet deep. White bass continue to surface and run baitfish along weedlines in the main lake. When a school surfaces throw anything into the feeding frenzy and it will get hit. Then return the spoon or slab to the bottom to hopefully intersect a moving school and then we get several on the line at one time.

A couple of weeks ago I suggested a lighted message board be placed in the rear window of your car to transfer your thoughts and ideas to drivers sharing the same road. I thought it would be nice to make someone's day with a nice comment or maybe in some cases tell them what you think about their driving habits. I mentioned pulling over on the shoulder so someone could pass when it could be safely done. This spurred a written comment from a lady who shall remain unnamed. She wrote in her first sentence that she enjoyed most of my columns, most of the time. After doing this for about 15 years and penning well over 700 columns I got ready for a lengthy comment. Then I realized she had written only one page so I figured my thrashing would be short lived.

I always welcome comments on my unpaid efforts

and most are complementary or somewhat positive. This lady continued that the part about pulling over on the shoulder to allow someone to pass had cost her a couple of windshields when rocks were thrown by those driving on the shoulder. Rocks and other debris do tend to end up on the shoulder and the risk of getting a nail, running over a large piece of truck tire or some other something is more likely on the shoulder. I do agree with this nice lady that pulling over has its risks and I also do not like for someone who is trying to be nice and considerate to ride the shoulder. I do not like the squeeze play that occurs when three vehicles are using the roadway designed for two.

Most of us are not in a hurry and tend to drive the speed limit or very close. When pulling my boat which is a lot of the time I run about 10 under speed and do not pull over as the boat tires are much more likely to throw a rock. But then here comes a truck or some driver who cannot wait for a clear passing lane and begins to polish my prop apparently thinking that if they get close enough they will scare me into pulling over on the shoulder. A lot of the times when this driver gets by we both end up at the red light at the same time and I wonder if following to close and being a driving bully really saved any time.

Maybe the Highway Patrol should pull some boats and give these in such a hurry as to endanger all of us what they really need by violating the law. After all there are those of us who would like our windshields, arms and legs to be intact when we get to where we are going. So slow down, be patient and don't take risks to save a few minutes and above all, hang up the phone.

See you on the lake.

## PUBLIC RECORD

### Marriages

Chad Allen Reitmayer and Christine Enelyn Crenshaw  
Michael Coy Wheeler and Mona Lesa Honn  
Johnathon Wesley Plumley and Rebekah Darlene Dennis

### Civil cases

Names	Charges	Filed
Pharia LLC vs Richard C Redman	Breach of contract	August 13
Trustmark National Bank vs Jerrell R Sumial	Breach of contract	August 9

### Crime and misdemeanor

Name	Charges	Filed
Juan Garcia	Illegal Dumping	August 11
Christopher Kevin Korn	Violation of protective order	August 5
Jeremiah Adam Luera	DWLI	August 2

### Jail Record

Name	Age	Agency	Charge
Epifanio J. Guzman	39	RCSC	S/W Burglary of a building
Robert E. Brown	23	RCSC	DWI 10 days
Ross W. Weatherford	22	RCSC	County Jail
Jerry J. Carson	56	BPD	Public intoxication
Joel J. Lamadrid	19	Concho Co.	Crim mischief, theft, obstruction
Nathan J. Collins	33	WPD	Assault family violence
Jayson E. Peeples	33	DPS	Poss. of marijuana
Salud R. Ramos	43	BPD	DWI II
Jana E. McMillan	28	WPD	DWI
Ashely R. McDuffy	20	BPD	Disorderly conduct, criminal mischief, resisting
Robert Bryan	56	DPS	DWI, Open container
Alfonso Martinez	46	BPD	DWI III or more
Brandon G. Nesteby	29	Coleman	DWI II, resisting
Zachary T. Malloy	19	RCSC	MTR (injury to child)
Arthur Lara	44	Concho Co.	Poss. C.S., fict. inspection sticker
Winston McFarland	26	Concho Co.	Poss C.S. X2
Carlos Majia	28	Coke	S/W DWI III
Stephanie Murphree	--	WPD	Theft by check
Jose Delassantos Jr.	31	DPS	Ector Co. warrant
Armando Contreras-Cruz	33	RCSC	Illegal entry
Graciano Garcia-Ramos	29	RCSC	Illegal entry
Alfonso Martinez	46	RCSC	Prob. violation (DWI)
Charles Kimes	55	Coleman	P.O.M
Timothy M. Edwards	40	DPS	DWI w/ open container
Jose M. Portilo-Guerrado	25	RCSC	Illegal entry
Jose Villalba-Cervantes	46	RCSC	Illegal entry
Miguel A. Ortega-Romo	19	RCSC	Illegal entry
Tiffany K. Woodard	19	--	M.I.C.
John G. Guerrero	22	BPD	Assault w/B.I. FV
Ernest S. Escobar	36	BPD	P.O.C.
Eliazar P. Hernandez	32	BPD	P.O.C.

## TAHC promotes anthrax prevention

Winters Enterprise  
Staff Report

AUSTIN.- Late summertime in certain parts of Texas means livestock producers should be on the lookout for the resurfacing of anthrax in their animals. Among the anthrax cases confirmed this summer are one bovine in Crockett County, one whitetail deer in Kinney County and one whitetail deer in Uvalde County. Anthrax which is caused by bacillus anthracis is a naturally occurring disease with worldwide distribution, including Texas.

"Anthrax cases are not unusual; especially at this time of year," Dr. Dee Ellis, Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) Executive Director and State Veterinarian, said.

Anthrax can occur anywhere, but in Texas, cases most often are confined to a triangular area bounded by the towns of Uvalde, Ozona and Eagle Pass. If an animal dies from the disease and isn't properly disposed of by burning, the bacteria can spill out into the soil and remain dormant for long periods of time.

For more information regarding anthrax, visit <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us> or call 1-800-550-8242.

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WINTERS ATHLETIC REPORT

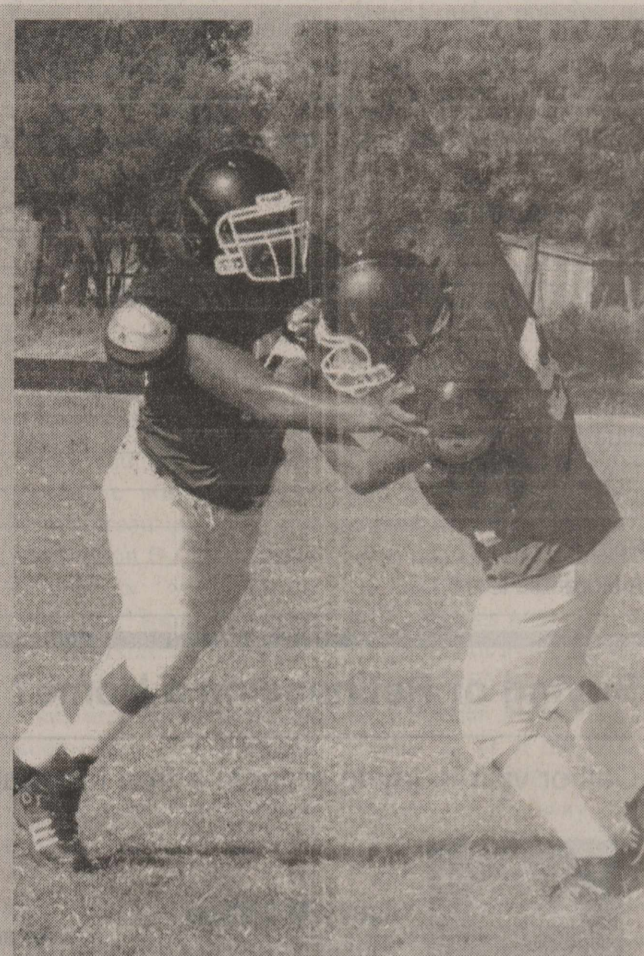
# Fine tuning the Blizzards

**Stephen Hermesmeier**  
Winters ISD Athletic Director

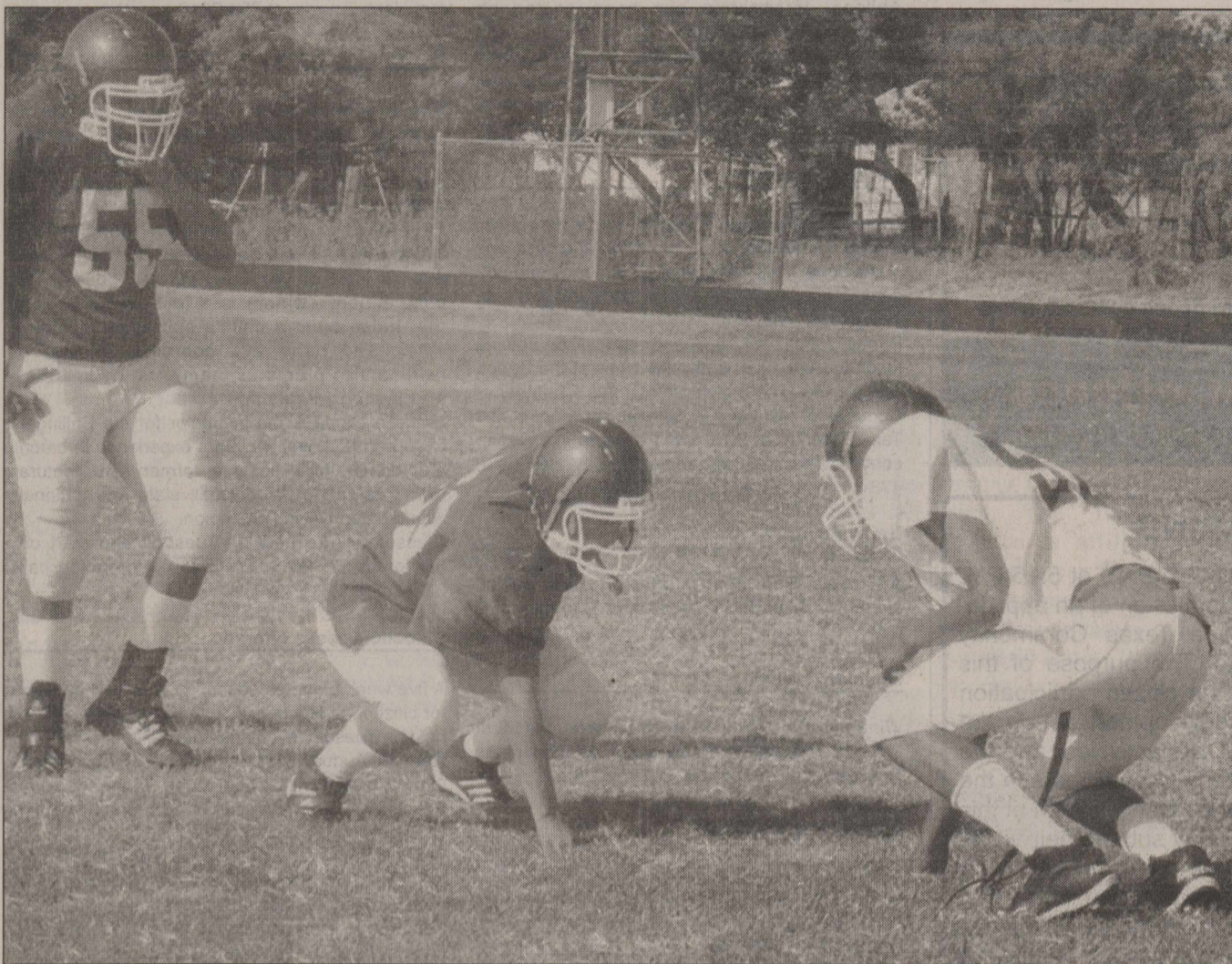
WINTERS, Texas.- The Blizzards had their first scrimmage Saturday against Roby. The boys will travel to Junction this Thursday for their second scrimmage and final tune up before the 2010 season begins on August 26 for the JV and August 27 for the Varsity. Thanks for coming out last Saturday and supporting the boys. I also want to thank all of you who contributed to the THSCA Benevolence fund.



THE JUNIOR VARSITY team opened the double header sustained last Saturday at the Blizzard Stadium versus Roby.



THE BLIZZARDS STARTED with two-a-days since August 2, in order to be ready for the 2010 season.



DESPITE THE INTENSE HEAT the Winters High School players give it all at the practice field. (Photos: Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez)

## Schedule

Dates and activities for the Winters Blizzards in the 2010 football season

- August 19**  
Second scrimmage at Junction 6 p.m.
- August 23**  
First day of school and JH football practice begins.
- August 24**  
Meet the Blizzards at Blizzard Stadium 6 p.m. Free hot dogs 7 p.m. Introduce teams.
- August 26**  
Football season begins with JV against Coleman at Blizzard Stadium 6 p.m.

### CAFETERIA MENU

August 23-27  
Subject to change

**BREAKFAST MENU**  
Monday  
Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or French Toast, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.  
Tuesday  
Breakfast Pizza or Cereal or Breakfast Pocket, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.  
Wednesday  
Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Sausage on Stick, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.  
Thursday  
Sausage Roll or Cereal or Breakfast Burrito, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, or Choice of Milk.  
Friday  
Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Cinnamon Roll/Ham, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Note: Menus are subject to change without notice. Students may purchase extra items:  
Entree - \$1.00, Milk - \$.30, Sides - \$.50.

**LUNCH MENU**  
Monday  
Chicken Fries or Steak Burger, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Strawberries, Cookie, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.  
Tuesday  
Spaghetti or Grilled Chicken/Bun, Broccoli w/Cheese, Corn, Cantaloupe, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Rainbow Bar, Choice of Milk.  
Wednesday  
Nachos or Chicken Fajitas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Apple Wedges, Cornbread, Jell-O, Choice of Milk.  
Thursday  
Baked Chicken or Sloppy Joe, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Blacked Eyed Peas, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Rosy Applesauce, Rice Crispy Treat, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.  
Friday  
Cheese Burger or Chicken Bites Curly Fries, Baked Beans, Orange Wedges, Lettuce/Tomato, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Brownies, Choice of Milk.

## School news

### Homework help at the Winters Library

Children and teenagers in Winters never have to be stumped by rough homework assignment again. Students from Kindergarten to 12th grade, those in introductory-level college courses, and adult learners can simply visit the Winters Public Library or go to [www.bclstx.org](http://www.bclstx.org) get on-demand, free help from qualified tutors. The Winters Public Library now offers Live Homework Help, an online tutoring service from Tutor.com that connects students to expert tutors at no charge in math, science, social studies and English via the Internet. Spanish-speaking tutors are available to help students in math and science.

### Help in core subjects

This free service allows students to connect to an expert tutor either from the Winters Public Library or from their home PC or Macintosh with a library card, seven days a week, 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and receive homework help from a live tutor via the Internet. Live homework help is easy to use. Children and teens simply go to [www.bclstx.org](http://www.bclstx.org), click on the Live Homework Help link and then enter their grade level and the subject they need help in (remember to enter the access code). In just a few minutes, students are connected to a tutor in an online Classroom for on-to-on help in math (elementary, algebra, trigonometry and calculus), science (elementary, Earth science, biology, chemistry, physics), social studies (American history, world history, political science), and English (spelling, grammar, essay writing, book reports).

### Winters offers free meals

The Winters Independent School District is announcing its plans to continue the Provision II Meal program for all students in grades Pre-K thru 12th. The National School Lunch and Breakfast Program for the 2010-11 school year will provide for all students in grades Pre-K thru 12th to receive breakfast and lunch at no cost. For additional information please contact Lisa O'Dell at 325 754-5574, extension 122, or e-mail her at [lisa.odell@wintersisd.org](mailto:lisa.odell@wintersisd.org)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The WINTERS I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM, August 30, 2010 in 603 N HEIGHTS WINTERS, TX. ADMIN BLDG. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.040000/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)				
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.000000/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)				
Approved by Local Voters					
<b>Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget</b>					
The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:					
Maintenance and operations	(36.22)% (decrease)				
Debt service	0.00% increase				
Total expenditures	(36.22)% (decrease)				
<b>Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value</b> (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)					
	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year			
Total appraised value* of all property	\$401,318,449	\$429,923,440			
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$1,356,998	\$3,373,340			
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$180,162,056	\$217,713,966			
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$1,316,838	\$3,333,400			
* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.					
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(2)(7), Tax Code.					
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.					
<b>Bonded Indebtedness</b>					
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$0					
* Outstanding principal.					
<b>Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates</b>					
Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student	
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.000000	\$1.040000	\$3,055	\$7,549
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.107410	\$0.000000	\$1.107410	\$3,829	\$6,576
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.000000	\$1.040000	\$3,800	\$7,144
* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both.					
The bonds and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.					
<b>Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence</b>					
	Last Year	This Year			
Average Market Value of Residences	\$42,473	\$44,642			
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$27,473	\$29,642			
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.040000	\$1.040000			
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$285.72	\$308.28			
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$22.56			
Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.					
Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.040000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.040000.					
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:					
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$900,000				
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0				

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### New adult books:

"The Lion"	Nelson DeMille
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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters will hold a public hearing on August 25, 2010 at 5:15 PM, at Winters City Hall, 310 W. Main St. in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to City of Winters, 310 South Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The NORTH RUNNELS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 7.97 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 26, 2010 at 6:00 PM at 7821 E HWY 153 WINTERS TX N.R.H. BUILDING.

The second public hearing will be held on September 2, 2010 at 6:00 PM at 7821 E HWY 153 WINTERS TX N.R.H. BUILDING.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

**FOR:** SHELLY GUEVARA SANDRA J HILLIARD MELANIE WADE MARVIN JONES  
SCOTTY BELEW JOE GUAJARDO

**AGAINST:** DEWEY WHITEFIELD

**PRESENT and not voting:**

**ABSENT:** The average taxable value of a residence homestead in NORTH RUNNELS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT last year was \$43,475. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.392122 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$170.48.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in NORTH RUNNELS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT this year is \$45,861. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.362606 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$166.29.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.391514 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$179.55.

## News

### notes

Send your news at news@wintersenterprise.com

#### Community back to school service

This Sunday, August 22 at 5 pm the North Main Church of Christ will be having a community back to school service, at 501 N. Main St. A great way to start the new school year off right! Free hamburger cook-out to follow.

#### YMCA Football

Registration for fifth and sixth grade boys will be at 7 p.m. Friday, August 7, at the Winters City Park. For more information, call Bodi Collins at 325-977-0803.

#### WHS Class of 1980 celebrates 30th reunion

The Class of 1980 will celebrate its 30th High School class reunion during homecoming weekend on September 17 and 18, 2010. Plans are being finalized and will be centered around the Friday night homecoming game against Menard along with a school tour on Saturday. Plans are also being made for dinner and fellowship on Saturday night September 18 in Abilene. Information has been posted on Facebook under "Winters High School - Class of 1980 Reunion" or Renee (Pierce) Calcote may be contacted via e-mail at Reneec\_00@yahoo.com. There will be more information to follow in the coming weeks.

#### Car show in Bronte

Come out and enjoy a day of fun in downtown Bronte on August 21. Car show and arts and crafts booths will be open at 10 a.m. and end at 2 p.m. Registration for the car show starts at 8 a.m. in the bank parking lot. Bronte Volunteer Fire Department will be serving lunch around 11:30 under the trees at the Depot. And for the grand finale, the Bronte Chamber of Commerce will have a special showing in the Texas Theater at 2:15 p.m. For more information contact: www.brontetexas.org or City Hall (325) 473-3501.

#### AA Meetings

AA meeting are held at 204 W. Truitt behind church on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

#### Ministerial Alliance

Winters Ministerial Alliance meets the first Monday of every month at 9 a.m. at Samaritans House on the corner of E. Dale and Grant.

#### Chamber of Commerce

Chamber of Commerce meets at 5:30 p.m. first Monday of the month at 100 West Dale Street.

#### City Council Meetings

Winters City Council meets at 6 p.m. the last Monday of the month at 310 North Main.

#### School Board Meetings

Winters ISD School Board meets at 6:30 p.m. every second Monday of the month at 603 North Heights.

#### Hospital Board Meetings

The North Runnels Hospital Board meets at 6 p.m. the third Monday of the month.

#### Literacy Service Club

Literacy Service Club meets at 6 p.m. the third Monday of the month.

#### Public Library

Winters Public Library meets at 4:30 p.m. every third Tuesday of the month at the Library.

#### Winters Women's Club

Winters Women's Club meet on the second Tuesday of the month, from September through May. Contact Jane Bourdo, 754-2048 or Becky Hays, 754-1912 for more information.

#### Masonic Lodge meetings

Wingate Masonic Lodge 1042 A.F. & A.M., meetings on fourth Monday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. at Wilmeth, TX Lodge. For further information contact Hank Bourdo, at 754-2048

#### Baton twirling and pom team coming to town

Registration begins for the Ballinger Dolls baton twirling and pom team on August 24, 2010. The Ballinger Dolls are accepting students between the ages of 3 and up. Parents and students can expect to learn the basics of baton twirling and pom poms. The Ballinger Dolls will perform at parades, local events, end of year recital, and possibly a competition. Twirling is a lost art and sport that helps build a child's self-esteem, character, and hand eye coordination. Baton twirling also promotes teamwork, dedication, and lasting friendships. Michelle Gloria is the instructor for the Ballinger Dolls and has over 23 years experience in baton and dance. Michelle is a former ASU feature twirler as well as a regional, state and national/world baton twirling champion. Classes will be held on Tuesday and start on September 7, 2010. For more information call 325-365-2927.

#### Diabetic classes offered

A five week diabetes education class will be held for citizens of Runnels County the classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 4-7. Classes will start on August 31st and run thru September 28th. Classes will be held at the Runnels County Extension Office located at 608 Sealy Ave in Ballinger. The classes will focus on all aspects of diabetes nutrition, managing blood glucose, diabetes and exercise, and prevention and management of complications. The class will be limited to 25. The first 9 that call in could receive free assistance with diabetes testing supplies -if eligible. To register contact Sandy Taylor at the County Extension Office at 325-365-2219 to reserve you spot. The class will cost \$20.00.

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## United Way Children's Parade

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

WINTERS, Texas.- On Saturday, August 28, United Way of the Concho Valley will celebrate the United Way Children's Parade, starting at 10:00 a.m. at Kirby Park, in San Angelo, Texas.

The United Way of the Concho Valley's Campaign theme this year is "United We Stand," and their plan is to hold a first-ever Children's Parade to kick off the annual campaign at Kirby Park, located at Nueces Street and Edmund Boulevard.

The parade is expected to have approximately 100 participants including children in costumes walking, riding decorated tricycles and pulling wagons. Only non-motorized "floats" are allowed.

This event also attempts to secure area school marching bands, as well as business and school mascots. Parade attendees will include members of the community, especially parents, grandparents and relatives.

The parade will be followed by children's games and a free hot dog lunch. Children age 12 or younger may participate free of charge as an individual or in a group.

A registration form is required prior to the parade and sent to the United Way office. All participants must be pre-registered by Friday, August 20. Individual and group registration forms are available on the website or can be obtained by calling the United Way office at (325) 949-3716, or personally at 944 Turner Street, San Angelo, Texas.

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**HELP WANTED** The City of Winters is accepting applications for a Water and Wastewater employee. Applicants must have a high school education or equivalent and be 18 years old. Class C dual certification in water and wastewater preferred. Applications will be accepted until noon on Wednesday, August 25, 2010, at City Hall, 310 South Main Street, Winters, Texas. City of Winters is an EOE.

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**Public Notice** The City of Winters will hold a public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 30, 2010, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 310 S. Main Street, Winters, Texas.

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS**

Sealed proposals for contracts are set out as follows: 1. Bidding documents will be available for review at the City of Winters, Texas, from August 23, 2010, until the date of the contract award. 2. Bidding documents will be available for review at the City of Winters, Texas, from August 23, 2010, until the date of the contract award. 3. Bidding documents will be available for review at the City of Winters, Texas, from August 23, 2010, until the date of the contract award.

**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**

Dist/Div: San Angelo Contract 7107-09-006 for INSTALL RAIL ANCHORAGE in TOM GREEN County, etc will be opened on September 09, 2010 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at Street, Winters, Texas 79567, prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials requested from the State Office August 23, 2010, at which time they will be opened. For more information call TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov or from Winters reproductions to accept and/or reject any and all bids. NPO: 33770

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The Winters Independent School District will hold a public meeting in combination with the school board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, August 30, 2010 in the Winters ISD Board Room. The purpose of the public meeting is to distribute a financial management report that explains the district's performance under each of the 21 indicators and the district's rating on School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas). Interested district shareholders are encouraged to attend.

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**THE LIPAN-KICKAPOO**

Water Conservation District Board of Directors will meet in regular session at the district office located in the Post Office Building at 9538 York Road, Suite C, in Vancourt, Texas on September 1, 2010 at 7:30 AM. The purpose of the meeting is to adopt a proposed budget for FY2010-2011 and to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2010. The proposed tax rate of .015 cents per \$100 property valuation and is a quarter of a cent less than the 2009 rate. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the district by 4.74%.

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ment of Rural Affairs for Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program funds. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. All citizens are encouraged to participate in the development of this application (or applications) and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the office of the County Judge during regular office hours. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the office of the County Judge to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the office of the County Judge at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Runnels County will hold a public hearing at 5:01 PM on August 24, 2010, at the County Courthouse in regard to the submission of an application (or applications) to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the construction of a new roadway project in the County of Runnels, Texas. The project is located on the east side of the County, near the intersection of State Highway 161 and County Road 117. The project consists of approximately 1.5 miles of roadway, including two lanes in each direction with shoulders, drainage ditches, and utility lines. The estimated cost of the project is \$15,000,000.00. The project is being funded by a combination of State and County funds. The public hearing will be held at the County Courthouse, 1116 S. Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567, on Monday, August 24, 2010, at 5:01 PM. The purpose of the hearing is to allow the public to provide input on the project. If you have any questions or would like to provide input, please contact the County Engineer, Bryan Davis, at 325-754-1108.

MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

# Keeping memories alive

Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez  
Winters Enterprise

**W**INTERS, Texas.-The annual Memorial Golf Tournament was held at the Winters Country Club last Saturday. It was a day to enjoy the game while remembering those who had gone on from this life.

This tournament, an annual event, was played as a scramble. The three participating teams hit the tees shortly after 1 p.m., once the places and starting holes were drawn.

No wind and clouds in sight, and a blazing sun sending the mercury to the top of the scale did not deter the players on the green. The team placing first in the tournament included Jan Sims, Mary Ellen Moore, Sherry Gilmore, Jim Ventress, and Anthony Ochoa.

The members honored by the game were John McAdoo, Herman Baker, Gil Gilmore, Bill Hall and Bob Shields. These men shared love for the game and a commitment to the club, donating their time and efforts to the club facilities in an effort to better the country club for members in years to come.



**JIM VENTRESS**, member of the winning team, tees off to start the Memorial Tournament.



**MARRY ELLEN MOORE**, Jan Sims, Sherry Gilmore, Anthony "Lee Trevino" Ochoa and Jim Ventress.



**JERRY SIMMS SHOOTS** a putt in the Memorial Golf Tournament held last Saturday at the Winters Country Club. (Photos: Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez)

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**JERRY SIMMS**, Armando Tamez, Tina Smith, and Rick Dry enjoy the tournament.



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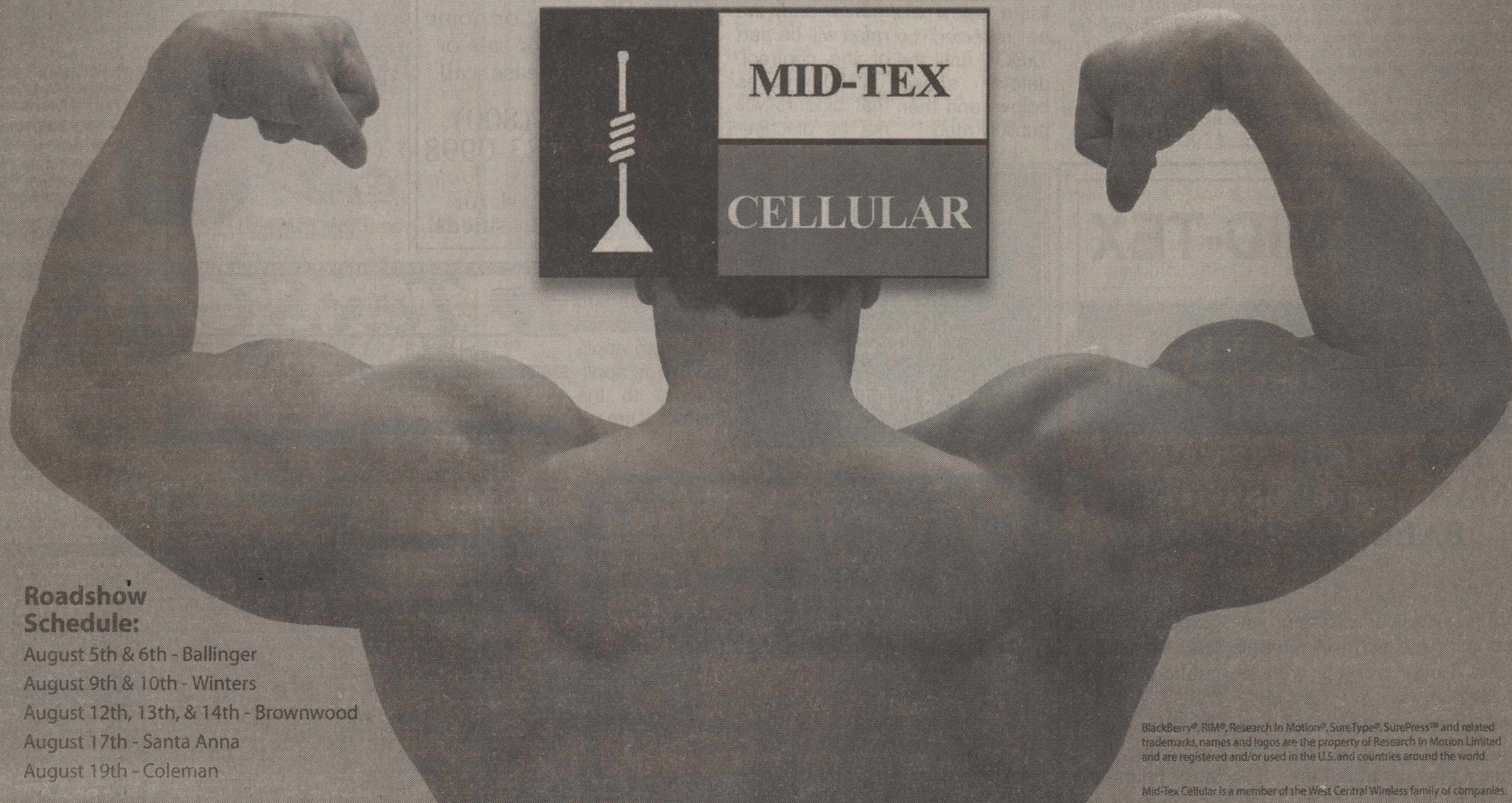
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- August 9th & 10th - Winters
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- August 19th - Coleman

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